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Dear Sir:

In response to the Rejection mailed December 16, 2003, wherein the Examiner set a three-month period for response, a one-month extension of time is filed herewith making this response timely filed.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.